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Introduced by M. of A. ZEBROWSKI -- read once and referred to the Committee on Banks

AN ACT to amend the banking law, in relation to establishing limitations on bank accounts after such account has been closed

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 9-i of the banking law, as added by chapter 646 of the laws of 1985, is amended to read as follows:

§ 9-i. Close-out fees prohibited in certain cases**; post-closing limitations**. **1.** No banking institution, as that term is defined in section nine-f of this [~~chapter~~] **article**, shall charge its customers a fee for the withdrawal of all funds from any account resulting in the closing of such account provided that such account was opened for a period of at least one hundred eighty consecutive days prior to its closing.

2. No banking institution, as that term is defined in section nine-f of this article, after the date on which the customer is informed that an account shall be closed shall:

(a) honor any request for a deposit or withdrawal with respect to such account;

(b) keep open or re-open such account; or

(c) charge any customer or former customer any fee with respect to any such account, provided that the foregoing shall not prevent the banking institution from recovering from such customer any amounts necessary to satisfy a negative balance that existed at the time the account was closed.

§ 2. This act shall take effect one year after it shall have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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